

## RAIN THROUGH STATE HAS HELPED CROPS

Board of Agriculture Report  
Shows Better Conditions  
In Missouri.

### OATS REPORTED GOOD

Some Counties Still Need  
Rain Badly to Help  
the Corn Crop.

The following report, showing Missouri crop conditions on September 1, was issued today by W. L. Nelson, assistant secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

The long hot, dry spell which prevailed throughout most of Missouri has been broken, except in a few counties. However, where rains have fallen they have generally been too late to benefit, to any appreciable extent, growing crops. The welcome change will, though, greatly facilitate fall work on the farms. More rain is needed throughout most of the state. In a few counties, where no rain of consequence has fallen for eight or ten weeks, conditions are serious, according to the reports of correspondents.

Corn—Hoped-for August rains with more favorable conditions for Missouri corn were realized in but a few favored counties. Taking the state as a whole, the loss over the possible yield as indicated on August 1 has been heavy. With rains and cooler weather early in the month there should have been a gain of 10 to 15 points in corn condition. Instead, there has been a further loss. Condition of corn is now 53.4 as compared with 57.2 one month ago, 75.4 one year ago, and 72.3 as the 10-year September 1 average. Present condition, however, is not as low as for 1913, when corn lost 29 points during August and stood at 41.8 on September 1. It might also be recalled that on September 1, 1901, the condition of Missouri corn was but 27. Taking the state by sections, correspondents of the Board of Agriculture report present condition of corn as follows: Northeast, 67; Northwest, 64; Central, 48; Southwest, 34; Southeast, 54. These figures, based on the estimated planting of 7,218,500 acres, would indicate a total yield of slightly more than 135,000,000 bushels. It is important, though, that it be borne in mind that the final figures, owing to weather conditions between now and the close of the season, may differ greatly. With a seasonable September and with a very late frost, the yield of late-planted corn should result in raising the present forecast. It is estimated that 80 per cent of the corn will be safe from frost by October 1. Correspondents estimate that but 5 per cent of the crop has been cut, but report that almost half the crop will go into shock or silo.

#### Wheat Planting Delayed.

Wheat—Correspondents report plowing for wheat greatly delayed, owing to the fact that the ground has been too hard and dry to plow. Estimates show but 25 per cent of the acreage broken. By sections, this is as follows: Northeast, 35; Northwest, 36; Central, 16; Southwest, 14; Southeast, 22. Present indications are that the Missouri wheat acreage for the 1917 harvest will be the smallest for many years. This is due not alone to the unfavorable season, up to this time, for preparing ground for wheat. Farmers generally are discouraged over the 1916 yield, which averaged only 8.5 bushels per acre. Fear of Hessian fly and the high price of seed wheat are also influencing many farmers to "go light" on wheat this time. Estimates by correspondents indicate that the acreage seeded for the 1917 crop will be 20 per cent short of that harvested this year. This being the case, it will mean not to exceed 1,600,000 acres of wheat for Missouri. By sections, present acreage forecasts are: Northeast, 78 per cent; Northwest, 92; Central, 76; Southwest, 67; Southeast, 80. A favorable September and October should result in raising these figures. Of the 1916 wheat crop it may be said that those who followed the suggestion of the Board of Agriculture and stacked their wheat are now receiving much better prices than were offered at harvest time.

#### Oats Are Unchanged.

Other Crops—Later threshing returns on oats have not changed the preliminary estimate as to yield, reported last month at 24.7 bushels per acre. Acreage of timothy harvested is practically the same as for last year. The yield will figure about 1.25 tons per acre of fine hay. A considerable acreage has also been saved for seed. The clover seed crop is reported good in most sections of the state, so much so that clover seed will this year constitute a "ready money" crop in a number of counties. Acreage of prairie hay, largely confined to

the Southwest section, will be 15 to 20 per cent less than for last year, with a yield of about 1.2 tons per acre. Yield of rye is placed at 10 bushels per acre; buckwheat, 7; barley, 16; flax, 7. Buckwheat and barley are but little grown, and flax growing is limited to the Southwest section. Condition of pastures is 58; cotton, 68; tobacco, 75; cowpeas, 67; apples, 42. Some cotton is now dropping squares pretty badly. Lower bolls are beginning to open.

Live Stock—Correspondents report only two-thirds as many hogs on feed as for one year ago; spring pigs, 76 per cent; brood sows, 75 per cent; cattle on feed, 63 per cent; stock cattle, 85 per cent. High prices for hogs, together with a corn shortage, has resulted in a very close clean-up.

## SPORT NEWS AND COMMENT

Alexander won his fourteenth shut-out of the season Friday against Brooklyn, setting a new major league record for whites in one season. It was a curious fact that his defeated opponent yesterday, Jack Coombs, was the former holder of the mark of thirteen, set in 1910.

### Big Nine Football Teams Start Practice.

Monday will see the opening on a small scale of football practice among the schools of the Big Nine conference. The official call by the coaches was sent out last week. It will be the middle of the month before real practice will be indulged in, however.

Discussion of new rules and new styles of play will occupy the training camps for several days. The most important change in the rules pertains to the safety. The new rule provides that the man carrying the ball can not be forced back from his most advanced position. This will do away with pushing by the opposition and will practically eliminate the safety, it is thought. It will also do much to prevent injuries to backfield men.

Another rule to prevent injury this season is that opposition players will not be allowed to charge a man attempting to catch a punt. His activity will be restrained to batting or catching the ball.

Injuries to Foster and Barry have removed two of the most important cogs of Carrigan's machine and have greatly handicapped the Red Sox in the fight for the pennant.

### Baseball This Year Shows Improvement.

The class of baseball this year has shown a vast improvement over the game in 1914 and 1915, a condition due to the demise of the Federal League, according to a prominent big league manager.

"Any time a good ball player a year ago became dissatisfied he could skip to the Federals. This resulted in players loafing as their managers could say nothing to them for fear of losing their services. Now the old competition has returned, the players are hustling and the fans get a run for their money," says this manager, who would not allow the use of his name.

The death of the Federal League has certainly made the games faster and the attendance greater this season, due in part to the return of the Federal stars to organized baseball. Next year will probably see baseball again established at the height of popularity it enjoyed a few years ago.

Cleveland's defeat of the Browns yesterday leaves these teams tied on their season's series, 11 to 11.

### Browns and Sedalia to Play Two Games.

The Columbia Browns left at 5:20 this morning for Sedalia, where they will engage the Sedalia team in two games there, one today and another tomorrow. Manager Taylor will probably pitch for the Browns this afternoon, while either Burnett, the Ashland southpaw, or Dippold, the Tiger slugger, will be on the mound Labor Day.

Taylor is taking eleven men on the trip, including: Davis, Winegar, Vogt, Ligon, Foster, Rutledge, Roberts, Lansing, Dippold and Burnett. Slusher, who played on the Tigers this spring, will probably meet the Browns in Sedalia and play in the outfield. Winegar will do the receiving and Burnett and Taylor will alternate at first.

The Hamilton-Brown ball team will mix with the Wilton Blues at the Fairgrounds at 3:15 this afternoon. Wood and McDaniels will do the battery work for the shoe-makers.

### Advertise for Church-Goers.

Madison, Wis. churches (Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, and Christian Science) have pooled their appeal to students of the University of Wisconsin and, once a week, take space in the Daily Cardinal, the student publication, to urge the importance of church-going. "Wisconsin Spirit Demands High Ideals" is one of the slogans used.

## MRS. ROSS WRITES OF LIFE IN AUSTRALIA

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Mrs. C. G. Ross, wife of Prof. C. G. Ross of the School of Journalism who is in Melbourne, Australia, on a leave of absence from the University, has written friends in Columbia of some of the customs of Australia.

She says that the English "as she is spoke" in Australia differs a great deal from the Missouri brand. She said that table napkins in Australia English are "serviettes"; dessert is sweets; candies are lollies; street cars are trams; the motorman is the grip-man; the railroad porter is the conductor; and the conductor is the "ticket-taker;" a rest is a spell; trunks are boxes; moving picture shows are cinemas, and children's blocks are bricks.

The leading moving pictures shown in the "cinemas" of Australia are American films, and right now the "Battle Cry of Peace" and the "Birth of a Nation" are being shown at leading houses. They are however being shown under different names.

Many articles of food common here are almost unknown there. Canned

vegetables and foods are practically unknown; eggs sell at 60 cents a dozen; butter at 50 to 60 cents a pound; milk is 14 cents a quart and cream is a dollar a quart. These prices are unusual however on account of the war.

The temperature of Melbourne scarcely ever becomes colder than forty degrees and for this reason none of the houses have stoves in their rooms.

The department stores have their "sales" similar to American stores, except they are worse, according to Mrs. Ross. She said that all the sales are named and some are interesting indeed. One of the stores was having a sale with a sign on the front of the store that read as follows:

"Caprizanting, Capritational, Catadromous Sale."

The Rosses are living at Lauriston Hall, Wellington Parade, East Melbourne, Australia.

### WILL APPOINT FORTY OFFICERS

New Appropriation Bill Opens Way  
for the Veterans.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2. — A new avenue of promotion for worthy non-commissioned officers who have been barred from commissions because of over-age, lack of education, or other

deterrent circumstance, opens up in the provision made in the Navy appropriation bill for the appointment of forty warrant officers in the United States Marine Corps.

These warrant officers will be known as Marine Gunners and Quartermaster Clerks and their pay and allowances will range from \$1,750 to \$2,500 a year.

Enlisted men who are "able to do things" will get the appointments, and the theoretical element will not enter into their examinations, say Marine Corps officials at headquarters.

### Journalism Graduate Buys Paper.

T. N. Wood, a former student in the School of Journalism of the University and now a member of the editorial staff of the Moberly Index, purchased a paper last week at Cement, Okla., a town of about 1,200 people. Cement is also an oil town and is surrounded by a rich farming community.

### S. T. Bratton to Return.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam T. Bratton will return to Columbia today. Mr. Bratton taught in the summer school of the Warrensburg normal school. Mrs. Bratton is the matron of the Y. M. C. A.

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### NOTICE TO GRADE PUPILS TIME OF ENROLLMENT.

All grade pupils who were enrolled in the Columbia public schools last year (1915-1916) and all first grade pupils will meet in their respective districts at 9 o'clock each morning for enrollment and classification, as follows:

Lee school, Monday, September 4.  
Benton school, Tuesday, September 5.  
Grant school, Wednesday, September 6.  
Jefferson school, Thursday, September 7.

All seventh grade pupils will enroll in their respective districts.

All grade pupils who have recently moved to Columbia and all non-residents who expect to enroll in the public schools, will meet at the high school auditorium at 9 o'clock Friday morning, September 8, to enroll and be classified. Bring promotion cards. Caution: Only those residing in the district will be enrolled on the day of designation. School will begin September 11.

J. E. McPherson,

Superintendent of Schools.

## REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION

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Wednesday, Sept. 6th, 1916

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